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THE EYEBANK PROBLEM

FCC has issued a Notice of Inquiry, Docket 19245, into the "Eyebank Problem," the handling of traffic for non-amateur organizations which FCC feels is a technical violation of Section 97.39 of its rules.

Questions to which FCC seeks answers include: should there be restrictions on amateur handling of messages for non-amateur groups? If so, what types of messages should be permitted? For which groups?

Deadline for comment originally was July 1, but it seems likely that the ARRL request for a delay to August 31 will be granted. Full text of the Inquiry will be in the July issue of QST.

EX-CALLS

This column has printed thousands of EX-CALLS. Many friends have been reunited thru it. Have you sent in your ex-calls? Editor.

K4FBC ex W8WSC
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K2X, W5GS, W1KBA, W9BIW

ATTENTION FM'ERS

Mike DenBranden, WA8TTE, the former publisher of FM Magazine and ex-FM editor of 73 Magazine talked at the FM meeting of the Orlando Hamfest. Mike is reviving FM Magazine under the name of "RPT" magazine and was

WITH THE FINAL RAP of House Speaker Pettigrew's gavel at 5 p.m., June 4th, 1971, House Bill No. 85 (those CB license tags, again!) followed its dismal predecessor, HB-1121 (circa 1970) into well-deserved legislative oblivion and the state of Florida reconfirmed its concept that Hams and CBs are not "birds of a feather."

Alerted early by Freshman Representative Russell Sykes, WN4QLG, to the pre-filed bill, Florida amateurs, led by Al Marcy, W4ID, rose magnificently to the challenge with a massive write-in refutation of old 85 which, certainly, went far in determining its eventual demise.

In the closing moments of the session and with time running out, a last-ditch effort was made by the bill's author to amend and couple it, as a "non-controversial item" to another "tag-bill" authorizing an increase in the number of Seminole Indian plates available to our state's natives. This action, had it succeeded, would have, almost certainly, guaranteed passage (if not on the red-skin's coat-tails at least on their breech-clouts!) but prompt action by the Ham Representative and others effectively blocked this channel and the effort was properly remanded back to its com-

mittee and eventual interment.

And so it goes: if it is true (as one prominent member of the shouting society has averred) that "Hams do not want

anything to do with CBs" he might also keep an eye on them injuns — they didn't seem to want any, either . . .

W4BRB



RECENTLY THE INTERCONTINENTAL Net donated \$100.00 to Variety Children's Hospital in Miami. The check represents profits on the Intercontinental Net Directory started by the late Moe Slabin, K4DJW many years ago. Present were L to R: WB4JER, NCS, Charles R. Jacobson, Public Relations Consultant for Variety and K4CRU, one of founders and NCS of I.C.N. In front, little Nina Berrigar of Ft. Lauderdale a patient at the hospital who was being released the day the picture was taken.

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REVISED LOCATION OF EXPERIMENTAL XB2XSE

The experimental navigation
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Letters To Editor

Editor:

"It looks as if the CB'ers will have no
license plates this year. House Bill 25 was
not discussed in the sub committee and
was temporarily passed which means it
wasn't passed. The companion bill in the
Senate, so far as I know, never got out of
sub committee. Watch out next year —
they will probably try again.

73,

Jim Russell, WB4TY
Tallahassee, Fla.

Editor:

They are at it again! Green of 75
Magazine wants to open certain of the ham
bands to CB'ers et al without having to
take any exam of any sort; the ARRL is
again — on page 9 of the June issue of QST
— pleading with us to get out and somehow
interest the uninterested in a further
cluttering up of the ham bands, and I have
no doubt that CQ — to whom I no longer
subscribe — is at it every month.

These magazines have the obvious
commercial interests — even QST — but I
still wonder, as I have for the past 40 years
— why hams want to load up our
overworked bands any more than they are
now.

If I may be forgiven, I think that the
publishing of Florida Skip is more of a

labor of love than a do-or-die commercial
venture, and, therefore, you might see it
to publish this letter and perhaps some of
the good old times of ham radio, who now
live here in Florida, can come up with solid
logic as to the why and wherefore.

Ham radio needs the influx of
newcomers, of course, and it will always
get them, but why must it be the
Wootworth approach — quality and to
sell with quality? The hams of the 1930's
and before didn't have the means reduced to
where it would be harder to fail than to
succeed — there was no novice class to get us
in earlier and knowing less — and still we
managed to get our tickets and so would
the really interested ham today.

In what other hobbies have the members
been 'conned' into trying to enlist the
thousands of uninterested would-be
members — fishermen, golfers,
photographers etc. etc.?

Have you been on 20 lately?

73,

Vincent Barker, W1JQ
Bradenton, Fla.

Dear Andy:

I have been taking Fla. Skip for a long
time and I know that only good type
written articles appear in this fine paper.

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— EDITORIAL — POLICY CHANGES

Due to increased costs and constant threats of quitting by the
Business Manager we have been forced to make a few changes in
our policy in the last few months. We have increased the price of
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We have also discontinued our offer of 3 year subscriptions for
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to receive these \$5.00 subscriptions. All of these received after Jan.
1, 1971 have been set up for 2½ years instead of three. Save your
complaints until your subscription comes due in 2½ years. (Maybe
we'll have a new Business Manager by that time.)

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your subscription is due. To save us both time and money you will
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don't wait three months and then write to ask us for all the copies
you missed. Pay promptly and you won't miss anything.

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possible don't telephone late in the evenings or week-ends.
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no vacation from the phone around here for the last fifteen years.
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Hello CQ... Hello CQ. This is Florida Power & Light calling all radio operators. This week is Amateur Radio Week. Your week. This is the week FPL would like to thank you for the unique service you give. To your community and your country. A lot of people think your radio skills are just a hobby. But as you well know... it's one hobby that's been invaluable in times of disaster. My voice is not only reaching you, the radio operator... but all radio listeners, as well... to let everyone know that the Amateur Radio operator has sometimes been the only link of communication during floods, hurricanes and earthquakes. At this very moment, a volunteer organization of amateur radio operators is ready to go on the air in case of emergency. Thanks again, friend. Signing off and clear with ham operators everywhere. 73's!

DX NOTE

Attention DXers. Announcement is hereby made of one addition to the ARRL Countries List, Abu Ail and Jabel At Tair. These islands, located in the Red Sea, qualify for separate country status under point one of the DXCC criteria relating to a distinctively separate administration. DXCC credits for this listing may be submitted starting August 1, 1971. Confirmations submitted for this listing before August 1, 1971 will be returned without credit.

ARRL 08 325

THE PORTABLE FIELD Day tower problem was solved by the Jacksonville Amateur Radio Society by launching this giant Helium balloon 150 feet. Shades of Benjamin Franklin. Don't forget your rubber gloves men. And your FD scores.

(Photo by K4BVR)

NEW RADIO PUBLICATION

In case you haven't heard, there is a new amateur radio publication starting up in California. It's called WORLD RADIO. It is a publication for the amateur radio operator who is interested in the world around him and its people. It will cater to the active, enthusiastic, motivated and involved ham.

Their journalistic efforts will concentrate on the amateur as (1) a volunteer communicator — particularly in emergencies, calls for medical aid and international message handling; (2) one concerned with in-

ternational good will. A ham who is interested in meeting amateurs of other nations on the air, corresponding with them, and meeting them in person will enjoy reading WORLD RADIO.

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VHFERS COLUMN

By Frank Shannon, K4GT

2Mtr FM! Yes, our radio publications are just chock-full of articles and manufacturers' ads, of late! The constant increase in newcomers to this mode is astounding! As in the past history of amateur radio, this increase in numbers of FMers has resulted in some problems. All of these operational conduct problems can be readily solved by adhering to the old reliable ARRL's "The Amateur's Code," Page 6 in 1971 ARRL Handbook. Read it again! Especially when you get up-tight, and are about to make a nasty remark, or innuendo, over the air! Remember, too, that provoking a confrontation with another amateur, or a group of amateurs, has never, repeat, never solved any problems!!

This column welcomes any letters or info about VHF'ers, their nets, clubs, and VHF activities. Please address your letters, or messages, direct to home QTH.

We recently heard WB4OYV, Ron; K4GEW, Ev and his associate, K4RQY, Bill, on 2 Mtr FM. They're all located in or near Ft. Myers. Welcome, fellas!!

Tampa's 2 Mtr FM Repeater is back on the air after a long absence! The Repeater's Xmt is atop a tall office building on Davis Islands section of Tampa. The new Repeater has been greatly up-dated — and up-powered! Your Scribe will now have to rebuild, add gimmicks, or acquire different gear that will permit me to eliminate the desensitizing of receiver, now that it's underneath WB4HAE.

Congrats to Tampa Amateur Repeater Association for their efforts, money, etc., involved in rebuilding, installing, in returning this facility to the air — We realize it's value to mobilers in extending their range! No, fellas, I haven't forgotten 6 Mtr AM, SSB, 2 Mtr AM SSB, etc., I'll switch to those "modes" in next months column!!

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Effective immediately our FLORIDA SKIP yearly subscription rate will be \$2.00 for one year only. We are discontinuing our offer of three (3) years for \$5.00.

AN INTERESTING CRUISE!

WN4PKN — Nesta Magnuson

This last Summer, the OM, WB4JSZ—Newt and I went to the Orient, via a cargo-liner. It was our fifth trip to that part of the world.

The first and last ports of call were Yokohama, Japan. In between we stopped at several other ports in Japan and in several other countries. There is always time for sightseeing and shopping as the stay may be from twenty-four hours to a couple of days or more.

We arrived at Quarantine outside of the breakwater at Pusan one evening about five p.m. The mountains on each side of the harbor and the buildings of the city were easily seen. We saw the Quarantine Officials come aboard and expected to enter the harbor and dock very soon. Instead, we went back to the open sea, as all ships in the harbor had been ordered out because typhoon "Billie" was approaching. For three days, we cruised at about five knots back and forth around the South-end of Korea. The high winds caused big swells for many miles, so the ship rolled and pitched — especially when turning to go in the other direction. Finally "Billie" decided to go toward China and ships were ordered back into port. All the passengers (there were twelve) were glad to be on an even keel again.

Entering Manila Bay, ships pass between the historic islands of Bataan and Corregidor. In 1945, Newt and I went out to Corregidor from Manila by hydrofoil and guides took us all over the island.

The streets of Saigon are crowded and shops are well stocked, so one forgets about the war. It is different at night in either Siagon or DaNang, where we went in 1969, as the rumble of gunfire is heard and the red glow in the sky lets us know there is fighting going on not too far away. We often stood on deck and watched the Star Shells in the distant sky floating back to earth.

While docked at Kobe, Japan, we went by private car to see Expo



SIX QFN MEMBERS QNZ-In on W4ILE's camera at Orlando Hamfest. L. to R.: WB4SMA, WB40MG, K4FAC, W4ILE (RM E. Fla. Editor QFN Bulletin, Asst. SCM), WB4LAA (QFTN Mgr.) and WB4MIQ. These, plus 42 others, attended the QFN breakfast Sunday morning. Good show gang!

'76 at Osaka and then to Kyoto, first capital of Japan.

Wimpey, the clown, boarded the ship at Yokohama for the return trip to San Francisco. He had appeared at Expo '70 all the time it was open and was returning to this country to resume appearances here. He kept us entertained with his many interesting experiences and our return trip was both relaxing and smooth.

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FIVE FLAGS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

By Gene Rommel, WB4KUF

The monthly meeting of the Five Flags Amateur Radio Club was brought to order by club President Les Brown, W4NOG. Les is also Net Manager of the West Fla. Phone Net. The monthly meeting is held the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Red Cross building on Government St.

Many topics of business were discussed such as Field Day, Gene Rhodes was elected Field Day Chairman. In the near future a VHF contest for the 6 and 2 meter bands was suggested and prizes will be awarded to both in and out of state participants, more on this next month. A 6 meter transmitter is being readied for launch into the wild blue yonder which will emit a signal for the local amateurs to copy on their rigs. A helium filled balloon will be the vehicle used to carry the tiny transmitter and much preparation is moving ahead smoothly.

A history album in pictures was proposed and Gene Rommel, WB4KUF, volunteered to capture all the action. A picture of each club member is planned along with a picture of him at the controls of his station. A rather large Novice class got under way Thursday evening under the close supervision of KOBAD-4. Seventeen eager students showed up for code and theory class, 17 Novices is expected shortly.

Club Newspaper Editor, KSLAN, was

transferred to Miami for a short time with Bell Telephone so K4C7E and K4SVX volunteered to edit the paper and W4BIM will type the stencils. WB4JHQ, Club Vice President, is the net director of the 6 meter net on 50.4. More participation is requested to make this a fine traffic and training net.

A 6 meter band opening was experienced by many of the local hams. On May 31 and 22, 16 different states was logged. The opening extended into Calif., North to Minn. and eastward. A group of Pensacola and Milton Hams are readying their 100 meter equipment and are expecting a good DX year. Earl Pyron, WB4PKR, and others in the area became victims of the last tornado which struck the area. Hams and towers once again had to be put back in place but everyone is back in business again working their favorite bands with an empty pocketbook. The 2 meter FM activity seems to be busy. An eyeball QSO at the QTH of Carl Nelson, WB4DEL, caught the repeater and 34 simplex in heavy operation.

HOLLYWOOD AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

By Minnie Levine, W4RLS

Our June meeting was a Dinner meeting held at the Copper Hood Restaurant in Dania. Everyone enjoyed himself immensely.

Bob Fabbro, W4DEF is a newly appointed 6.6 Class 4. Watch your mailboxes, gang. WHITON participated in the June VHF

QSO party at the QTH of Ted Yeagle, W4NSAC. An SE 110A was used on six meters and a Gonsat Communicator with linear amplifier was used on two meters. The antennas were at 36 feet.

Upcoming events are field day at Rotary Park in Hollywood and a mobile installation contest. Our communications van, the Hollywood ARC is getting a new paint job this month.

Bob Berge, W4RFX, is our newly elected treasurer and Arlene Berge is our newly elected recording secretary.

Our club vests is yellow and orange are almost finished. Watch for the RARC vests at the next auction fest.

Be an active member. It's fun.

As always visitors are welcome at all our meetings.



Q.C.W.A. SUNCOAST CHAPTER

By Bill Soehl, W4GHR

When you read this, the get-together of the Florida Q.C.W.A. Chapters, at Bahia Beach will have passed. I do hope it will be the one, big annual get-together of all the Florida Chapters, where we can have an "eye-ball" with many old friends.

The June meeting will be the last one of this season for the Suncoast Chapter.

May all the members enjoy a happy, healthy Summer vacation and come back strong for our Fall meeting.

QCWA CITRUS CHAPTER

The Citrus chapter during the Orlando hamfest was host to a luncheon meeting. In the following QCWA chapter, SE, Gator, Treasure Coast and Sun Coast. We had in attendance approximately 119 members.

Bill Holdich, K4GJ, Citrus Chairman, presented 50 year award to Fred Brauner W4JZB. 50 year award are waiting to be presented to Roger Spleer K4PC and Ira Hall K4URA at our next meeting in September at the Melbourne Hamfest.

We had a very interesting and informative speech to the problems concerning the new Channel 3 TV tower. This speech was delivered by Chairman Strunberg W4WLX, chief engineer of

WDBO-TV.

I believe a fine time was had by all. 73 Les Terry (Secty. Citrus)

WESTERN FLORIDA NEWS

By Frank M. Butler, Jr., W4RKH

Pensacola: The Pensacola FRI repeater received its license — WB4JEU. Power output has been boosted to 350 watts. K4CFS received OPS appointment.

FL Walton, W4DWD-4 is photographing a number of hams (or stories) to appear in the local paper. Field Day this year will be at a downtown shopping center to get more public exposure. The Choclaw H.S. Radio Club received its own call — WB4VZ. They plan a separate F.D. effort, all teen-age hams invited. The club has also become ARRL-affiliated. WB4EQU, Asst. SEC. prepared a time Section Emergency Plan, with list of EC's and phone numbers. WD4HIE has been hospitalized, but promises to be back on soon.

Defuniak Springs: K4VWE has the CD station in the Courthouse operating on HF and VHF.

Panama City: The new call sign for the FM repeater here is WB4GRT. Other new hams are W4UTJ, WB4UXJ, and WB4VCV. Port St. Joe: W4WEB installed a 30' tower for his antennas at his new store. Blountstown: WB4UQH is the new EC for Calhoun County. He is also the County CD Director.

Tallahassee: New TARC officers are: WB4RCI, W4ARFV and W4NRCG. A number of new hams resulted from the second Novice class.

TAMPA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB NEWS

By Frank Shannon, K4GT

Noticed a large attendance of TARC members at the recent ORLANDO HAMFEST. Your Scribe teamed up with W4RHC, sharing a double room at the Hilton Inn. We not only shared with each other, but shared our facilities with most unwelcome guests — cockroaches, galore! And, to make things more uncomfortable, our facilities were stepped-up — and overflowed! After much telephoning to the management, things were mended the following day. We did have a wonderful time at the hamfest in general. Your scribe enjoyed the "Stash-pitality Room" sponsored by QCWA — it was only a few doors away — and it was well equipped with giggle-water.

To our TARC members who are eligible to join QCWA (25 years since your first license) your Scribe highly recommends joining our Gator Chapter and enjoy our Saturday monthly luncheon meetings.

Saw our TARC member Cy Connolly at Orlando Hamfest. He stated he came over mainly to attend the QFN CW Net Breakfast held early Sunday morning.

Reminder to all members — by time you read this, our monthly meetings will have been discontinued for the summer months. TARC regular meetings will resume with the 3rd Monday of September, 20th, 1971. CU NEXT SKIP! FRANK, K4GT.

ORLANDO ARC

By Herb, W4LSR

The Orlando Hamfest Committee under the able leadership of Monty, W4VFW, his hard working Committee Chairman and many willing club members made a huge success of the 1971 Hamfest. The club station, W4PLB, played an active part in the affair. It was set up and in use during

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most of the festivity, thanks to Doug, W5MOGS, and his young and active helpers. When the grand prize drawing was held, the first prize ticket read W4BUG. He had left for his home in Boca Raton and was mobile. He was called on W4PLB and told of his winning. He did a fast U-turn and was back to claim the prize in a matter of minutes. The third prize ticket was held by the son of one of our hardest working officers. Guess who is having a ball with it.

Jess, W4CLJ and KYL Agnes moved into their new home. Now the East-West Expressway can be built. The Shaws, W4BKC and K4UZE spent a week on an island in the Indian River. With no ham radio! Hal, K4GA and KYL Jean travelled to Houston for a family visit. Hal is still complaining of the humidity there. More next time. 72.

DELTONA NEWS

By Jack Sh, W4YPA

Deltona CD not coming as usual every Friday night and a very good round table following the formal simulated traffic. We had very good attendance the past few weeks.

Deltona group is enjoying G3DKS-W4 Keith Street now a permanent resident having hailed from Haddleywood, England. We find Keith and KYL very interesting to talk with and always have interesting comments.

K4H, Bill and KYL are enjoying a nice new Torino Station wagon.

W4HGO, Charles R. Dawson of DeBary, Fla. is a silent key as of May 19th. He was the back bone behind getting the Florida call letters on our license plates. Ralph has many friends of long years and will be missed.

Russ Conrow, W4YLH has a new Mini Beam up and working out real good. W4UMW will be in his new home in Deltona by the time this is in print. Bob is making plans for his antennas and will be heard on all bands very soon.

Orlando Hamfest seemed to be a real success — big crowd. Many will have sore arms from hand shakes and the eye balls were sure in order for the day.

Remember peoples of all nations and stations in life smile in the same language.

EVERGLADES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

By Dick Dowd, W4H2K

The Everglades Amateur Radio Club held its regular monthly meeting on May 12, 1971 and as usual we had a very fine turn out. We had no treasurer report because our treasurer Harry Gudney,

R4CAA, and his KY, are on a four to six weeks vacation up north. We hope they both have a very happy and safe trip.

W4SNP, Hal Contrell showed the club some very fine educational movies on transmitter trouble shooting and repairs. Thanks again Hal for the fine movies.

The club held a picnic at the Homestead Municipal park on Sunday May 9, 1971 and everyone had a very enjoyable time. Everyone brought their own lunch and it was laid out buffet style and there was more than enough for everyone.

Congratulations to Randy Payne, K4E2M and his KYL on their new boy-type harmonic that arrived this month. Randy's KYL, Lyn, is W4NSGT.

My KYL and I attended our first Orlando Hamfest this year and we sure are planning to go again. We both had a ball and we also picked up a couple of nice goodies that we had been wanting. We also had the pleasure of meeting Andy Clark, W4YIT, for the first time and we hope to have him visit our club meeting in the very near future.

We were very sorry that we didn't get the opportunity to meet with Col. Marcy, W4ID. We hope to be able to meet him in the near future. We would like to know more about the FLARC.

WEST PALM BEACH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.

W4HAW NEWS

By Clara B. Stables, W4NOC Secretary

Ten members attended the recent Orlando Hamfest, returning with summer wallets, but with loaded cars. What they told their KYLs is a matter of conjecture.

A record crowd enjoyed the showing of an ARRL film entitled "Radio Waves" on June 17 in the Hostess Room of McArthur's Dairy. Harold Kilpatrick, W4BNPN, arranged for the room; Wayne Keelin, W4BWP, secured the film, and Manny Papandreas, W4EPO explained and commented thereon. A question and answer and quiz period followed.

Field Day was held on McNellan's Island, actually a peninsula to John Prince Park, with 40 persons ranging from Novices to Extras participating. Captains of the teams were: Novice—Doug Hunter, W4NTIO; Twenty Meters—Manny Papandreas, W4EPO; Forty, Seventy-five and Ten Meters—Bill Sprague, W4OULR; Fifteen Meters—Gene Sykes, W4HRB; Two and Six Meters—Charles Minor, Sr., K4TFQ.

W4BOUH sealed palm trees and string antennae with the agility of a modern Tarzan O. to be 21 again!

Novice classes will resume September 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse. All area would-be Hams are invited. Instruction is free; all you add is time and effort. OM, how about trying to interest your KYL? You could then aid in curbing inflation by both enjoying the same hobby at half the cost.

GULF STREAM SOCIETY OF AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS INC.

By Robert L. Murray

A new repeater receiver site has been located, and following a few legal steps, it looks like we will have a very efficient gain in area.

Talk has it that there may soon be much more power at the transmitter site; and possibly a meter repeater sharing the same "Link" which is being changed now from hard wire to 450 mc, but may soon go from 450 mc to 5000 mc micro wave? I sure hope to see this in the near future.

A new beam: to work low bands, has been purchased by Society and is soon to be working DX.

Plans are also in the making for new low band equipment such as TR4A, SB100, SB101, etc. Hope we make it by field day.

Neil Sommerfield (W4BPKI) is under spot light this month. He is now proud owner of new T4XB Transmitter, Motorola Handie Talkie, and is to be our next hidden transmitter on 30 May last.

SUNCOAST ROVING REPORTER

By Cathy Soehl

W4BAV AREA ARNS

Sarasota Amateur Radio Assoc. members, KYLs and friends enjoyed an interesting and enlightening tour of E.M.R. Telemetry at their May meeting.

W4GUZ, Carl Forsberg gave many pointers and experiences on DXing at the St. Petersburg Amateur Radio Club meeting.

W4EHX, Phil and Norma Anderson flew to Curacao, Netherlands Antillas, in early June to visit PJ2CQ. Dick and Willie Capriles and celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary. Phil operated under PJ2CQ while there.

W4B2Z, "Chan" Chandler monitored 14200 kHz slow scan TV and found W4VK, Bob David working 46a, South America, etc. with fine reports on his picture.

W4VGE, Jim Lester celebrated his

birthday in a most unusual way, helped Son, Eddie, build stills and then they spent the day walking around of them.

W4TPA, Wes Edmonds and KYL, Ernell made a fast trip to Indiana recently, when Ernell's Mother passed away. Our heartfelt sympathy to you folks.

W4G2T, "Ken" and KYL, Harrell Schonert left June 17th, via Minn., to Canada and will stop in their home town in Conn. on the return trip.

K4PQO, Don Laurent, Administrator of the Sarasota Memorial Hospital, had a nice picture in the Herald-Tribune, attending the Hospital Workshop.

W4WME, Bill and W4BIL, Fran Foley spending July in their camper touring the Carolinas. Happy vacation!

W4EPQ (ex W4TXX) Gene and W4EPR (ex K4CUTY), June Scortino have returned to St. Petersburg, after a long absence, and purchased the house they lived in 1955 — 400 Rotary Place N.E. Welcome home, folks!

Deepest sympathy to W4KTE, Walt Linder in loss of his Father.

DADE RADIO CLUB

By Paul Norman, W4JGC

The Dade Radio Club held its fourth annual dinner meeting at the Sweden House on South Dixie Highway on March 4, 1971.

About 25 members and KYLs and KYL's came to the dinner that started at 6 p.m. so that the thirsty ones could wash the road dust off their parched throats.

Our president, John "The Barber" Steel W4UCV welcomed one and all at 7:30 and then we dug into the vittles. One thing about the Sweden House, you can go to the well as many times as you want. Most of us did. The girls were sneaky; they sent us back to get their extra calories. At least, that is the excuse I used.

We were honored to have five past Presidents at our dinner. John said ex-Presidents, but his KYL, Blanche, who must know Robert's Rules of Order caused him to correct himself. Behind every great man is a woman. Anyhow, our five ex-past Presidents were:

Evelyn Gaudens, W4WYR
Dick Jones, W4BTM
James Frison, K4JWM
Rex Tidbridge, W4BYB
Jack Dalin, W4GKF
Enoc Schera, W4VPD, gave us a great replay of his DX pedition at Cocos Island. He brought a thirty minute reel of film of the operation. I have several comments about such activities and keep in mind I am not a DX nut. One, guys like

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Eds put a lot of effort and hard work in this sort of thing. It is hard to imagine the drive and dedication it takes to approach such a project. As Eds suggested, to be the top DX man, you have to work very hard at it.

A second thought is that his XYL must be a very nice person to understand and forebear while Eds sits glued to his multi receiver operation chasing that elusive new country.

Eds said he uses 100 to 200 watts for his DXing, and that should tell us something about the value of a Texas kilowatt. Improve, add to the state of the art!

Jay Hecker, WB4HDZ, finally said it at a public forum, Carol is his future XYL. How far in the future, Jay? Why not let us give the official date in Florida Skip?

I wish to thank Ed Kane, K4MAS for getting off the phone so I could finish this edition. And, a thanks is also due Ed for his efforts on our program committee. We do appreciate Ed — keep up the good work.

FLORIDORA NEWS

By Charlotte Frazier, WB4PEL

At the Orlando Hamfest, May 2nd & 3rd, the Floridors were well represented. Saturday we had our annual luncheon at the Hilton Inn Terrace Room. 14 members and one guest were present. Afterwards we gathered in W4KOH, Ernie's room to view K4RHL, Ellie's moving pictures taken on her safari trips to Africa.

Sunday morning we celebrated fourteen years as an organization with our annual meeting. Eighteen members were in attendance. Officers for the new year are: President, W4KOH—Ernie; Vice Pres., K4RNS—Marge; Secy., W4EHN—Betty; and Treasurer, K4WXS—Lee. A picture of the new officers could not be taken as K4WXS was absent due to her OM being ill and W4EHN was in Hawaii.

The President appointed: K4UZZ—Er, Historian; K4RNS—Marge, Certificate Custodian; K4HSC—Meg, Net Manager; WB4PVN—Nellie, Membership; WB4-



RECENTLY THE DAYTONA BEACH ARA set-up a complete station at the Rodeoheaver Boys Ranch to demonstrate amateur radio. WA4ONZ gave a short talk after a delicious lunch. Many QSOs were made on 40 and 15 meter phone and c.w. on WN4RGQ's IHW-16. Others from DBARA were WB4HSF, Chairman and WB4MDD. The display was well received by all officials of the ranch present. (Photo via W4SDR)

PEL—Char, Publicity. The door prize was won by W4BII—Fran. K4UZZ again gets our thanks for her attractive gift each girl received at the meeting. Each year Eve comes up with something that surprises and pleases us.

The previous Sunday at the SPARC Hamfest we got together for pictures and there were many "eye-lashes" during the day. W4GPX—Ruth says her rig and antenna are in better shape and she is able to put out an improved signal. W4WXS—Lee was kept busy registering people coming to the hamfest and giving

Florida membership cards to those who paid their dues.

WA4EDL—Nancy and OM are sporting attractive white shirts with their call letters in red on the back. These were a surprise gift from K4ONA.

It was voted to hold FLORIDORA WEEK the second week in January; details to be announced nearer to the time of the FLORIDORA WEEK.

FPTN

By Cass, W4NGT

I find that the shortest interval of time is from the last of the month to the 10th of the next when I should have something into Skip on the FPTN. Big congratulations to the Ron Locke family (he's W4YPX) on the new Jr Op. WA4ILS has moved to Bartow and we miss him as NCS. Herman, WB4FJV, is on a trip to Europe and the middle East. Nice to have Chuck, WB4TED, call in from Lakeland. We have a new NCS on Fridays in the voice of Stan, WA4VCK. He's a 1st Lt ex-serviceman and real good, too. Bill, W4DFP, is a recent convert to the early hour net and calls in from Gainesville. We could use some help from stations in St. Pete, Clearwater, Daytona Beach, Ft. Pierce and some other cities throughout the State so if you're up at 7 a.m. in the morning we invite you to call in on 3940 Kilohertz Monday through Saturday and meet the group. You'll find us bright eyes and ready to help you with your traffic problems. 73, Cass, W4NGT.

SCARPS

By WA4ABY

The Duval County Amateur Radio Public Service Corps conducted Field Day from the wide expanses of the grounds at Pace High School. Our ambitious Field Day committee, anxious to show that it was doing some work, decreed that there would be five transmitters running continuously plus the free novice station the ARRL allowed us. Despite rain, bugs, bad food, lousy conditions and antennas that refused to stay up during a gale, we did very well. Winning the coveted Florida Skip trophy I'm sure. We had a fantastic turnout of club members including some long lost faces such as WA4PWF and WA4JYB (whose long lost face is hard to see because of his luxurious haircut adornments.)

Plans still continue for the second annual Miami Auctionfest. See our ad somewhere in this issue for preliminary details.

Our pint-sized PR man, twelve year old Steve Kaplan, WB4SJK, went politician hopping and came away with two certificates proclaiming Amateur Radio Week in Florida. The cities of Miami and North Miami Beach went on record heralding the achievements of our hobby. The proclamation from the City of Miami was indeed impressive, four colors and scroll-work that would put a Franciscan monk to shame.

We meet every second and fourth Thursday of the month at eight p.m. at Monsignor Pace High School, 1590 NW 32nd Ave., Miami. Why not come to a meeting and check us out.

PLATINUM COAST ARS

By Bill Armstrong, WB4RPV

Mays meeting featured a program by Don Sanders, WB4BWS on two meter FM. Don gave an excellent talk on the theory and operation of FM equipment and underlined important points with a demonstration using equipment on display. Many thanks Don.

We are happy to say Carla Allen from the Florida Childrens Home has passed the code test for her novice license and is awaiting her written exam. It is always nice to have someone Carla, age 12, to join the ranks of the Hams. Maybe she will be able to influence other young people to become interested in Amateur Radio.

PCARS is busy making plans for the Melbourne Hamfest September 11. Advanced tickets will go on sale June 15. They can be purchased by writing PCARS, P.O. Box 1004, Melbourne, Florida 32901 and including \$1.50 per ticket desired. We are looking forward to a very exciting event at the Melbourne Civic Auditorium.

PCARS is considering the possibility of equipping a communications van for public service work. A committee is being appointed to study all aspects of the van.

Don't forget the two meter net meets every Tuesday, except the third Tuesday, on 145.35 mhz. We welcome all out of club check-ins.

BROWARD A.R.C.

By Jim Wilson, W4GDX

The June meeting dealt heavily with Emergency preparation. In addition to the showing of "A Lady Named Camille" which Civil Defense has just released, Bob Crispin our Communications Officer led a discussion of Field Day.

The movie showed very clearly how devastating a hurricane can be. It showed how important it is to prepare for it. We, who have been thru them down here, know this all too well. But in your planning DON'T ignore the possibility of a huge tidal wave like that of Camille. Where would you go? What would you do?

Our Meeting Place Committee is going to have some good news soon. Get ready. Thirteen new members were taken in at

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the June meeting and we certainly welcome them.

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COUNTRY COUSINS

By Stan Offenbutter, K4BLM

The Country Cousins elections were held on June 1st, 1971 and the following slate of officers were elected:

President	Howard, WB4DRM
1st Vice Pres.	Bill, WA4WFW
2nd Vice Pres.	Jim, WA4WZ
Secretary & Treasurer	Star, K4BLM
Chaplain	M.B. WB4SKO

Our congratulations and best wishes for a successful year. Many thanks to the outgoing officers for a f.h. job done.

Ernie, K4OSW-5 has been transferred to Hawaii and is going via submarine. Paul, W4PDU-4 made his annual trip to Long Island and will return when the snow falls!

Kuns, WA4ZRA and KYL, Rhea are back from their vacation with a happy announcement of their son Roy's marriage; good luck, and may all his troubles be little ones. Orland, W4LW and KYL, Helen, have returned from their vacation in North Carolina. M.B., WB4SKO showed his picture album of the Country Cousins at the Orlando breakfast, where everyone had a wonderful time.

A welcome to our new cousins! Ted, K4ONY and Al, W4RFB-4. It's always nice to enlarge our family.

We are sorry to announce the passing of Victor, the XVI. of Dick, W4RTM, also, the father of Walt, W4KTE. Our sympathy and condolences are extended to both families.

Wilbur, W4WGS, was released from the hospital after a heart attack and is convalescing at home.

A welcome to all to join us every night at 10 p.m. EDST on 3870 KHz. A certificate is given by the net. Please check in for particulars.

CQ CONTEST

Here it is—7 a.m. Sunday morning and the bands are loaded with "CQ Contest." You say something ought to be done about "messing up" the spectrum like this? Well, I disagree! I believe this contest business is just another facet of amateur radio. I believe it is just as justifiable if not more so than a good number of the conversations I hear in these sophisticated cliques.

I don't participate in many of the contests these days as my interests have changed. I wonder why some of you old grey-beards can't realize that your interests might have also changed. Just because you no longer care for what you hear on the amateur bands is no reason that it should be stopped.

If you will remember back some 40 years you will recall hearing a lot of belly-aching about what was then commencing to happen to amateur radio.

I guess it is a case of some amateurs being like old wine, if agitated too much turns sour with age instead of growing mellow. 73 Vinegar Joe.

Onyx.

FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE CORPS

By Ken, W4SMK

The following amateurs have been appointed as Emergency Coordinators in recent months in E. Fla.: Vic, WB4HVE, in Martin Co., Birch, WB4AIW, in Manatee Co., Bobby, WB4GMB in Marion Co., Ron, WB4QXR in Monroe Co., Rudy, WB4LLD in Palm Beach Co., and Charlie WB4NGI in Volusia Co. Welcome gentlemen and we wish you luck in your EC activities.

Looking at the above list, all compiled in the past 6 months or so, you get the impression that we have a rather high turnover of EC's in Fla. This is generally true, even though we have a few coordinators that have been around for a number of years, not to mention our SEC, W4IYT. The larger counties, especially seem to get a new EC every few years or so, and apparently this is where the action is. Being a conscientious EC in a big county is no snap job!

Considering the lack of pay or reimbursement of any kind for expenses involved in being EC it may not be too surprising. Of course ARRL is quite helpful with the necessary forms, operating aids, and other info on emergency procedures, but otherwise the EC is pretty much on his own. All counties in Fla. have paid CD directors and frequently also paid CD communications people, not to mention funds for radios, generators, etc. But the AREC is strictly a volunteer operation, operators, privately owned gear, and all.

We may gripe about this volunteer business, but perhaps it is best after all. Any time government funds are involved in any type of operation government strings and sticky red tape come attached. Politics frequently rears a head in county and state funded emergency communications, and the federal government has never really seemed to support its own CD program very strongly.

This is not meant as harsh criticism of CD, because as we said before every county in Fla. has a CD organization, at least

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on paper, and a CD Director, but we surely don't have an ARRL Emergency Coordinator in every county. Since there are surely amateur radio operators in every county in Fla. this is our problem. CD and AREC often do some of the same work, and in some cases the EC and

the CD radio officer are one and the same person. This is one way of assuring cooperation between the AREC and RACES group. The best situation is where the amateurs and CD people cooperate fully and each shares in the resulting (hopefully) good publicity.

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TROPICALPHONE TRAFFIC NET

By WB4PWD

As we begin a new month, looking over some of the net reports, it seems that the traffic count is up in spite of the usual tendency for it to ebb here in the summer months. Perhaps the change to 40 meters has resulted in additional stations bringing their traffic to TPTN, realizing that they are able to pass it much more easily without the poor conditions on 75. Also, by remaining at 5:00, the net members who participate in the other evening nets don't find themselves rushed right at dinner time.

On the days that the regular net controls don't bother to put in an appearance, any station should take over. Don't worry about not getting the procedure correct; anything you do is better than just sitting there wondering what happens next! By the way, net controls, one of the reasons modern rigs have VFO's is so that if one frequency is cluttered up you can change to another. Please slide up a few if that darn foreign B.C. station is coming through

on 7260.

We would like to welcome back Birch, WB4AIW, one of our states finest traffic men to our roll call. Although John, WB4TPJ, has been checking in for a good while, we would like to take this opportunity to welcome him here officially.

Would like to remind y'all that QPTN, the All Florida CW Training Net meets right after Tropical at 5:30 on 7165. WB4LAA, one of our most active members, is really doing a great job with thing and your participation is needed. Also, if you would like to try your hand at some CW traffic handling but are a little rusty at the old dots-and-dashes, this nets every giving CW speed is for you.

FLORIDA FAA NET

By George Cooper, W4E3I

Many members of the FAA net are also members of various traffic nets. WB4AIW "Birch"—Bradenton. K4MV "Floyd"—Ft. Lauderdale. WA4SCK "LJ"—Vero Beach. W4DFP "Bill"—Gainesville. W4EH "George"—Sebring. W4EH recently qualified for the GN certificate and also an ORS appointment.

While this column is for and about the FAA net I think a word of praise is in order to the hours spent by these dedicated stations and also gives me an opportunity to put in a plug for my favorite traffic net, the GATOR NET.

GN meets daily at 0800 local time on 7165 kHz and this is a request to anyone who can join the net to provide additional and important outlets. Your presence would be more than appreciated by our able net manager: W4IA "Ev"—Mount Dora. He invites participation from ALL.

W4LE, Regis Kramer, Miami edits and publishes the "QFN BULLETIN," a bulletin which is published monthly and is a composite information sheet to cover details of the three all Florida CW nets and

is sent to each net station. Regis also has the "Florida Traffic Handlers Routing Guide." I think you will like it and find it useful; Regis does a tremendous job and renders a great service.

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GATOR NET

By Ev, W4IA

Our alternate frequency, 3651 kHz is getting more use lately as early morning conditions on 7 Mc. continue to fluctuate between excellent and bad. Long skip is the demon but fast leg work by the NCS and liberal use of QNN enables us in most cases to stay on 7115 kHz. Otherwise we shift to 3651.

The GN going turned out in force at the Orlando Hamfest. At least 18 regular and occasional members were spotted in the crowds.

The QFN Training Net (QFTN), with WB4LAA at the helm, meets on Saturdays and Sundays at 0600 and 1400 Local Time on 7165 kHz. The 0600 session is a good one for those GN members who are willing to lend a hand in training the new comers. Craig, WB4LAA invites any and all to drop in.

It's good to have Ham, K4SJH back with us at his new Merrill Island QTH. Ron, W4YFX seems to be holding up well with the new baby — a boy on May 27. Kevin, WB4HML, Bill, W4DFP, and Bill, K4MV have joined the ranks of GN "regulars." W4DFP needs only one more qualifying month to rate GN certificate. CU all on the air. TX—Ev.

QFN NET REPORT

By Frank N. Hoss, WB4HKP

The Orlando Hamfest was the big happening during May. Many QFNers and other members of Fla. CW nets were in attendance and there were plenty of enjoyable eyeballs, not to mention the many

late night ragchews covering a variety of topics ranging from net attendance to zero-beating. Nonetheless, everyone had a great time! (HXE? Ed.)

At the very successful QFN breakfast, K4VY took the reins of net manager and is replacing retiring manager K4IEH whom we all owe a great deal of thanks for an excellent job during the past nine months.

Net certificates went out to K0BAD-4, W4DFP and WA4SCK for March, April and May. QFN's track record for May shows a total QNI of 785 with 379 QTC. Total time in session was 1216 minutes with a rate of 0.311. Bob reports that for the past nine months QFN has averaged 13.3 stations, 9.2 messages, 25.4 minutes per session for a rate of 0.383 of which he says, "ain't half bad!"

May was a big antenna work month. WA4JH and WA4UQQ both had to relocate their whole antenna systems. WB4HKP had to put up a new 80 dipole when the one he had blew down. 6R1Y-W4 lost his antenna due to a wind storm. Don also got a broken arm which kept him off for some time but he has recovered from all and is back with us. New stations heard this month were: WB4HML, Kevin is Hollywood; WB4TPJ, John in Madeira Beach; and WB4ORR, Nat in Jax. WB4GHD, WB4PSS, WA4PWF and W4BYE also made several appearances. Hope y'all become regulars on QFN.

K4SJH is checking in with an 11W-16 now. K4LAN is in Miami Beach now and will be operating 4 for about 3 months. WA4NBT has bought a new house. W4PFF will be operating a new linear soon.

If you feel you aren't getting much out of QFN, chances are, you aren't putting much into it. There are several openings in the net roster for NCS, 4RN, and RNS slots. ARL 7 K4VY or W4LE if you want to have a bit of traffic fun. No matter what, try to originate at least one or two messages a week, if not to keep NTS busy, at least to keep the net busy.

QRD QFN! See y'all next month, 73, de Frank WB4HKP

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and I can never expect to answer the how you can still print such an informative paper yearly for \$2.00.

A friend of mine, Fred Shillings, EX K4GBW has been trying for 1 month to get his call back since it elapsed. It all started last November when Fred was working a tight schedule and applied for the Conditional test. The test arrives and was administered then returned to the Commission.

After several months Fred sent a letter March 72 seeking information. Another form 618 arrived as the Commission had lost his previous form. This form was filled out and sent but nothing. By this time Fred received his renewed check for \$94.00. On May 15th Fred sent another letter to the Commission but to this date there has been no reply.

I write this to you to let you know how our \$9.00 license fee is being used. Could it be put to better use by having some one that would be more competent or to raise the radio frequencies a little closer? Thank you.

Gene Randall, WB4LJ
Miner, Fla.

Editor

Enclosed check for another year of the SKIP. Have been slowly recovering from two massive coronary thrombosis attacks first one in Sep. 68 and the second one while I was recuperating in Bay Pines VA Hospital.

I first got my "beak" of Wireless back in 1914. Resided in VA and while going to high school there. Boudlegged for a few years. In the U.S. Navy latter part of WWI. Got my ham ticket and then commercial First Class, First Grade and was with the Tropical Radio out of New Orleans for about three years after WWI. Then just quit and got my ham ticket back a few years ago and now on the air with a Swan 500-C Original call W4XX in Naples, Mass. back in 1990, now W4APL.

Enjoy the Florida Skip and look for it every 6 months.

Fred J. Wallace W4APL
St. Pete

I would like to nominate my XYL for the Skip Dear Mable Award. My call letters are W4YWX and Navy Mable call is NOVX.

My XYL in addition to putting up with me during my many hours on the rig which should qualify her, she is a kind, a charitable woman in our neighborhood for the past many years we have had an elderly couple living two doors away from

us and during these years my wife has been doing many things for these people from grocery shopping to furnishing them with some of their meals. A year ago the wife died at the age of 88 and her husband who is 80 years old. This man is a wheel chair case and is a cripple who cannot get out of the house. He is too proud and dependent to get a nursing home and the neighborhood women including my wife have been taking care of him.

My XYL's name is Mary and if you think this is the type of nomination is required, I am proud to nominate her.

73.

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Transmitter power out is now 25W but will be increased to 100W after a Dumont FM transmitter is ready for operation and several nasty harmonics cleaned up. This unit will be Narrowband (or bellyband as the inner's say with 10Khz deviation which is less than wide and more than narrow band FM).

73 Jerry, W4UBR

SAD BUT TRUE

There are people operating KVM's who have not paid their milk bill for several months. There are others operating the same rigs who own the milk company. On the air these fellows call each other by their first name.

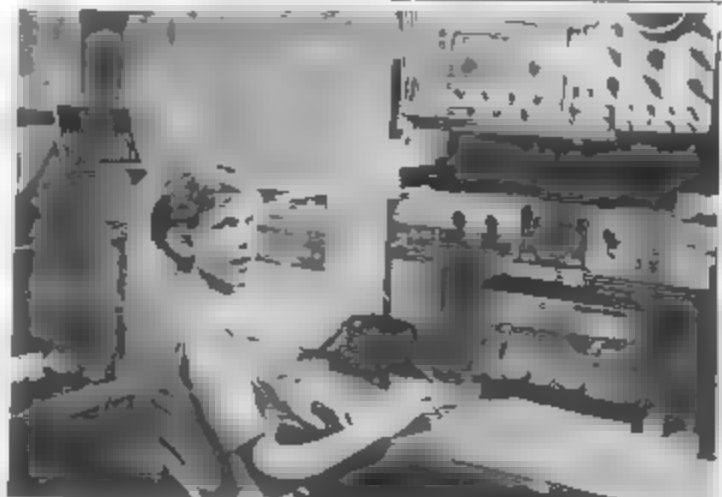
Now here is where the ticklish situation exists. Socially these two might be on opposite sides of the track and at a ham fest they may be buddy buddies. In spite of the independence in our country there may be times when the antipodes of living can be cause for embarrassment or hard feelings. This is involved when our amateur association goes beyond that of an on the air contact.

I might get on the air and talk all evening to the Vice President of the company I work for and call the fellow by his nickname. I would not however march up to his door and ring the bell and expect to



YE ED WISHES TO thank members of the Lake Amateur Radio Ass'n. for their letter of support in response to our June editorial. Apparently very few people read the editorials or could care less to express their thanks for 15 years for a labor-of-love. Now we REALLY know Editor.

(Photo from K4LRA)



KEN STOCKGLASNER, W4ITZK of Ft. Myers, has been active on 40 and 15 meters. He bought his complete station with money saved. He hopes other novices will save a lil' money this summer and join him. Go after that General, Ken.

spend an evening visiting with him unless I had an invitation.

In ham radio we are all pretty well knocked down to a common denominator and within the limits of ham radio our interests are usually parallel. But

remember it may be wise to confine it to that point. I know quite a few people that I enjoy talking to on the air but socially I would sure hate to have to spend an evening with them. I wonder if you have the same feeling.

As much as I do not care to say it, there is still such a thing as class distinction. Those that get their feelings hurt are those who refuse to face this fact.

Onyx.

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HAMS HAVE LITTLE TO CONTRIBUTE*

By Jim Wilson, W4GDK

Some people have the idea that hams just talk to each other and don't accomplish much.

You and I know this is surely not true. However, this was brought out dramatically in a wonderful talk by Dr. Arthur P. Smith Jr. on Radio Astronomy which he gave at the recent Miami Hambozee. His talk was worth coming many miles to hear. Dr. Smith is from the Miami Museum of Science. The thing in his talk that brought out the refutation of the misconception about hams was the following:

He mentioned that the two pioneers in Radio Astronomy were Dr. Jansky and the next year (in 1933) Grote Reber. I believe Dr. Jansky had an amateur license but I KNOW that Grote Reber did. His call was W9GFZ. He had just been honored with W9BRX and W9BUX (my call) for major lauding communication with the McMillan North Pole Expedition WNP entirely by code. Large engraved cups were awarded.

Dr. Jansky's activities greatly interested Grote Reber who was a Junior at Armour Institute, a very fine technical school in Chicago. He was a brilliant student and this was a thrilling challenge.

Entirely alone he designed and built a sturdy wooden framework on which he could mount a 30 ft. dish reflector. He also designed and built the necessary radio equipment to use on it. And believe me there was very little VHF or UHF equipment available in 1933.

Where did I come in on all this? We three aforementioned hams were the only ones in Wheaton, Ill. When Grote completed his dish he had no way to get it up on the framework. I had a '32 Ford, so Grote designed a block and tackle with which the '32 Ford pulled the dish into position.

Where is Grote Reber "the ham" NOW? He is one of the scientists in charge of the second largest radio telescope in the world up in West Virginia constantly adding to our knowledge about the rest of the Universe.

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The May 5, 1971 *4-4* Notice of inquiry (Docket 19245) regarding the type of "traffic" which we can handle came in for "extensive discussion" with a final decision to ask the FCC to make only those changes which will guarantee continuation of "policies and interpretations" observed prior to the interpretation as given in the Notice of Inquiry. (Under this interpretation, as Eddi reads it, the CBers could handle traffic for Eye Bank, parades, Red Cross, various non-profit foundations, etc., but the hams would be prohibited from it!)

If you haven't seen it, suggest you round up a copy and "comment." It sounds like someone is out to legally eliminate the hams by the devious method of greatly reducing their ability to show "PICON" (Public Interest Convenience Or Necessity).

Be careful how you word your comment — you may find that you have ruled out helping the Sons of Erin parade or the Stinking Bay Yacht Club race and turned it over to the CBers!

A SILENT KEY

By W4ILE

WE WERE ALL DEEPLY shocked at the untimely passing of "Rij" Arnold, W4EHW, Saturday evening April 17, 1971. He has just returned from a trip to the airport to pick up his daughter and family.

Rij, that morning, as in many previous mornings WAS THE MIAMI QNI for the GATOR NET.

Andy Clark, longtime friend, recalls no one as faithful and consistent in QNI our PUBLIC SERVICE CW nets over the years as Rij. He was one of the founders of the Gator Net approximately 15 years ago and except at times when he made his auto trips around the state along with his lovely wife, Frances, (eyeballing a few Gators along the way) he rarely if ever missed a session.

Rij was a regular NCS and Gator Net Manager at various times. You could always count on W4EHW during the SET, shopping center and convention set-ups etc. He had an emergency generator which was always ready to go! Rij was a member of the Dade Radio Club and a charter member of the DADE COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO PUBLIC SERVICE CORPS. He was a retired medical doctor and a pioneer in the Miami area. Rij was a direct descendant of ROGER WILLIAMS, founder of Providence, R.I.

Attending the funeral Tuesday April 20th were over a dozen local amateurs including K4KQ, W4KGJ, W4IYT, W4GGQ, W4BTM, K4FMA, WB4FLW, K4KHT, WB4JJH and W4ILE.



ALL YOU NEWER guys may wonder what kind of equipment is being used. Well, this was a first class station in 1948. It belonged to Luther White, W4LI (Ex-W4EYQ) of Atlanta, GA. at the time. Luther now is retired from the FAA and lives in Apollo Beach. He is one of the founders of the old CAA Net back in 1934. See Florida FAA Net for details. (Photo via W4EHW)

CODE PRACTICE

Transmission takes place on 3.590 MHz (4 QRM, i.e. a few KHz) starting at 2000 hrs. EST (EDT in the summer) every Tuesday and Thursday. Speeds are presently 5, 10, 15 and 20 w.p.m., in that order. The preamble, sent at 10 w.p.m., consists of three sets of the following:

Members of the FLORIDA CW NETS responded generously in response to QNC's and a beautiful floral arrangement in their names was given to "Rij" as their last QTC to a truly SILENT KEY.

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TEST. TEST. TEST DE VE3NAR VE3GUS (or the originating station.)

Then follows a "blurb" explaining the transmission, time, frequency, and origin of the copy for that night.

Since this is a club effort, there are various stations involved and hence, the station signs itself as VE3NAR call of the originating station. The text is presently being taken from the "Ham Handbook for Beginners," however, this is mentioned in the preamble.

The transmissions are all previously taped so as to avoid errors, however, I am quick to point out that we are far from infallible. — 73, VE3GUS, Norstown A.R.C.

WORLD SKIP

By Phil Reid, WB4ONC

The Summer doldrums have set in and DX action has come to a standstill on ten meters and fifteen is certainly not as good as it was this winter. Twenty still remains the DX stronghold with a good DX turnout during the better openings.

DX-peditions

Only two DX-peditions are planned, so far, for the month of July.

JD1 — Bonin Island — JA3JZ and JA3JZN plan to operate here during the first part of July at JD1ACH and JD1ACI.

CT3 — Madeira Island — CT2AW and friends plan to activate this rare spot in early July.

RARE COUNTRIES ACTIVE

ZK1 — Cook Island — Barry, ZK1CD, is active on 20 meter SSB at 0600Z around 14.290 KHz.

FK8 — New Caledonia — Jean, FK8AB is on twenty CW around 0600Z.

ZK1 — Manihiki Island — ZK1MA is active from 14.200 to 14.350 around 0600Z.

VR3 — Line Islands — VR3DY was heard on 20 CW at 0600Z but this station may be a Pirate.

JT1 — Mongolian Republic — Victor, UA9VB-JT1, is run through by WA3IUV Saturdays at 0000Z.

ZD8 — Ascension Island — ZD8TS has been active on 10 SSB at 2100 Z when 10 is open.

SILENT KEYS

We are deeply sorry to report the passing of the following Florida amateurs:

W4NYL, Bob Amee, Lakeland.

WA4BAY, J. Frank Thain, Jr., Miami Lakes.

WA4VCE, Mackworth Rees, South Naples.

W4YXD, James H. Mills, Sr., Pompano Beach

PET PEEVE

The mis-use of international "Q" signal QRZ. Some that I have heard — "QRZ this frequency..." many more in my book "QRZ" means "who is calling me?" Instead of misusing the "Q" signal "QRZ" to determine if the frequency is being used, why not listen an extra minute or if time is essential, use "is this frequency being used?" 73, Jack Brezee, W4ZNQ, Holiday, Fla.

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WANTED: Tower. Call or send details. I can pick up. QST 1929 and below. CQ 1945, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968. Mike Raskin, K4KUZ, 45 N.W. 161st St., Miami, FL 33166 Phone 940-2960.

FOR SALE: Hallicrafters SX-115 receiver \$275.00. HT-32B transmitter \$275.00. Central Electronics 100V exciter-xmtr \$285.00. Hallicrafters HA-6 transverter \$75.00. All mint condition. Arthur W. Lee, WB4MZM, 3217 Hampton Dr. East, Holiday, FL 33509 Phone 937-1281.

COMMERCIAL or Government CW operators, meet your old friends in the game — join Society of Wireless Pioneers. Write K4PI for full info. F. Allee, 32 - 31st Ave., St. Petersburg Beach, FL 33706.

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WANTED: Ten-Tec KR-40 Squeeze keyer, SWAN 508 VFO, 510X Oscillator, VX-3 VOX, AP-800 filter, SS-16 filter. D. A. Wilbur, 369 - 6th Ave. N., Tierra Verde, FL 33715 Phone 813-961-8291.

FOR SALE: Collins receiver 75A4, S-N 3730 with three filters. Collins 32V2 AM and CW transmitter in working condition. Will sell or trade for comparable priced 5 band xcvr. Jim Rozele, WB4GTY, 1320 Eleanor Dr., Tallahassee, FL 32301 Phone 904-877-6622.

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FOR SALE: SWAN 140 late model ac/dc power supply \$975.00. Lafayette HA-110 10 meter AM transceiver \$85.00. Knight T125 for 8-10 meter linear \$85.00. Will ship. Ronnie Martin WB4MYO, 3012 Rogero Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32211 Phone 743-0880.

FOR SALE: From estate W3MY-4. B&W 6100 transmitter, 100 W. PEP SSB, CW, AM with xtal freq synthesizer VFO. In excellent condition with instruction book. \$175.00 or Best offer received by end of Aug. 1971. Charles Allen, K4AXB, 5400 Wister La., Orlando, FL 32810 Phone 253-4742.

FOR SALE OR SWAP: Hornet tri-bander 500 three element beam, 10-15-20 meters. Craig Pettigrew, WB4LAA, 14222 N.W. 11th Rd., Miami, FL 33167 Phone 981-0825.

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FOR SALE: Collins 62S1 serial 11419 converts 14.0 mc to six and two. 65 watt PEP. Clean as whistle, used very little, really works. Half price or better. Also accepting bids on Collins 31S1. Don Queeney, W4ACT, 1100 - 8th Ave. South 328-G Naples, Fla. 33940 Phone 813-463-1466.

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NET CLUB NEWS

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FLORIDA MIDDAY TRAFFIC NET

By Herb, W4LSR

Our net members turned out very well at the Orlando Hamfest and our second annual FMTN Luncheon is under our belts. Literally as well as figuratively speaking. 26 of our active members including our Manager, Clyde, W4SDH, our Assistant Manager Herb, K4DAX, and most of our Net Controls attended, along with spouses and friends. A good time was had by all. Our SEC for East Florida, Andy, W4IYT, was our speaker and he told us of his plan for the FMTN to handle weekly reports from Red Cross Chapters to the Division Office in Miami and Jacksonville. Our net was chosen because we are in session during regular office hours.

Fred, W4JZB, modestly admits to 30 years in amateur radio. There must be ninety more half century hams in our net and we hereby give them Encomium mention. Ted, WB4CBP managed to jury rig his station while rebuilding his shack and he checks in whenever possible but he and Jim, W4GDK, are temporarily inactive at net controls. Three excellent substitutes are carrying the ball. Mac, W4FPC; Henry, W4OWG and Bill, WB4MIQ, along with our regular substitute Herb, K4DAX. And this is goodbye to Herb who is retiring to Texas in June.

NAVY MARS

By Bonnie Wieboldt
NOPJQ-WB4FSF

There were many members present at the MARS meeting at the Orlando Hamfest. Both Chief Poston and RM1 Morrison were there. These gentlemen are quite anxious to keep things in the District running smoothly as well as keeping the people happy. The meeting and hamfest were enjoyed by all who attended.

South Florida finds their new training net very successful, since both the time and frequency are ideal.

The South Florida area coordinator George Livingston, NOLSV has moved to Cincinnati. Everyone is sorry to see him leave. A replacement for his position has not yet been appointed, so Deputy Coordinator NOPJQ is filling in.

NOAIL Joe is planning an extended trip of the U.S. His first stop will be the Atlanta MARS Convention and hamfest.

NOGAJ, Henry is also planning to attend the Atlanta MARS Convention. They have a very interesting program planned for the event, and those attending should have a wonderful time.

NOPJQ who recently graduated from high school, will be attending the University of Kansas during the summer to study music on a scholarship awarded her by the University.

The summer and the welcome rainstorms have arrived. It is well to remember that lightning does strike, so it is best to secure IMMEDIATELY when this type of weather activity approaches your area.

AIR FORCE MARS

By J. R. Hopkin Jr. WB4BND
AFC4BND

I hope those of you who were not in Orlando last month did not attend because of other reasons than saving the shekels for the Atlanta meeting. If so my sincere sympathy to you, for you missed a good time. Many casual acquaintances were turned into firm friendships there as a result of "eyeball" meetings. Once again I was pleasantly surprised to see the many out of state amateurs present for this fine get together. Both motels were jammed full, so if you mean to go next year get your reservation in early. As you know, the swap shop and bargain surplus counters have long ago



outgrown the small room provided and as a result, many sunburns were acquired from a turn around the large parking lot goodie display. It is my conviction that if all the equipment on display had been sold for junk prices the Hamfest would have realized a handsome profit, there was that much about. I do not mean none of it was not prime used equipment, as such was not the case.

Our informal get together in a room provided for us by the committee even though it had no official or formal request was largely the work of Jim AF4OPR. The meeting itself was really more or less a controlled gabfest, where those with views they felt they wanted to express were permitted that courtesy.

FLORIDA MARS DIST. TWO

By William Budd, A4WDX

Ye brand newly appointed correspondent will in his feeble way endeavor to get things right most of the time. Our first report shall be on the Orlando Hamfest, which in our opinion was a huge success and what few squawks we had, have already been filed with the Hi-brass.

The Fla. Army Mars joint meeting, with our Area Director Mr. Hal Mulkey, A4VHX, from Ft. McPherson present and with the aid of our Fla. 2 Director, Ken Lewis, AA4GUE and Fla. Dist. 1 Director, Col. Buckalew, A4RXE, did vainly strive to maintain law and order among the GOODIE hungry multitude and they almost succeeded.

The joint meeting, with more than seventy members in the small room, gave Mr. Mulkey rather a rough time during the question and answer session, but with his usual diplomatic and evasive tactics he did manage to hush the crowd into deep silence.

Our former Director, Mr. Wade Nelms, A4ZNY, started for the Orlando hamfest but



LIFE MEMBER IN the Florida Sideband Assn. and active in most Florida traffic nets is OT, Bart, W4SCY, of St. Cloud, Fla. Bart enjoyed the FSBA meeting with fellow members at the Orlando Hamfest May 22nd.

(Photoby W4ILE)

DEMONSTRATIONS AT J.F.K. JR. HIGH

They were on amateur radio — exciting but peaceful. Steven Kaplan, WB4SJQ, 12 year old 7th grader explained to the No. Miami Beach Kiwanis Club that their support is needed to upgrade the radio club's equipment at the school. Steve showed Mr. Schwartz of the Kiwanis with the help of WB4LFA how Phone Patch works and had him talk to Princ. Lloyd Pierce on his office phone.

He let Mr. Schwartz talk to WA3MHV-MM off the coast of Puerto Rico and also to KV4AD

failed to outrun one of our State Hi-waymen and was assessed a slight fee for losing the race. We missed you Wade, even if the cop didn't, better luck next time.

Publicity is a mighty good thing if used properly. How many of you have given your community the low down on your outfit? Publicity is the promotion of cooperation with you and your local emergency agencies. Tell them what you have to offer in the way of communications in time of need. In any event tell your local folks about you and your outfit and what you have to offer, and tell 'em now, before they need you.

That's all for now, it's nice being with you.

in the British Virgin Isles. The 2nd demonstration was to 50 students of a Civics and Science class at JFK to show that though books may change and get old, if you want up-to-date information, talk to the man who lives there, which they did and found out that teachers in Quito, Ecuador schools get their birthday off. JFK teachers, of course, felt that this was a very nice custom.

Thanks to WB4JNA and WIBMS and HC2H-1 for a wonderful tour by radio from the teachers and students at JFK.

Steve would like any amateurs that would like to continue this project of amateur radio and education in the future, preferably Junior and Senior High Radio Clubs to write to WB4SJQ. Steven Kaplan, 17111 NE 6th Ave., No. Miami Beach, Florida, 33162.

Names for 1971 Hurricanes

Arlene	Kristy
Beth	Laura
Chloe	Margo
Doria	Nona
Edith	Orchid
Fern	Portia
Ginger	Rachel
Heidi	Sandra
Irene	Terese
Janice	Verna

Wells